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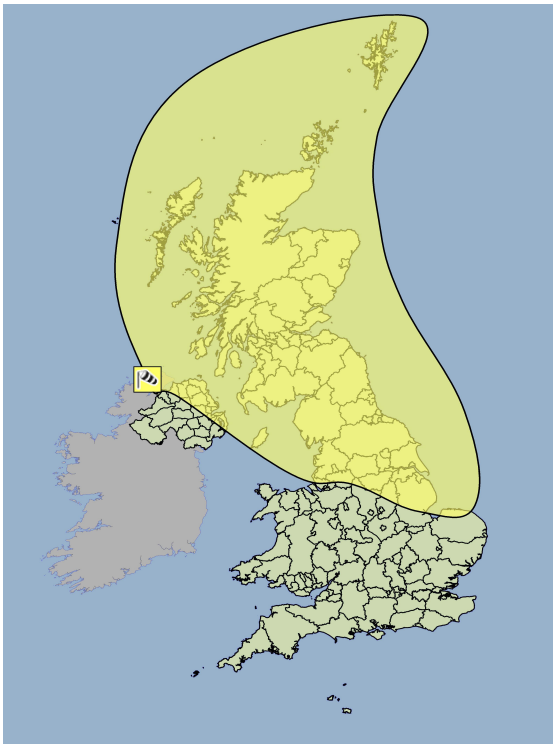

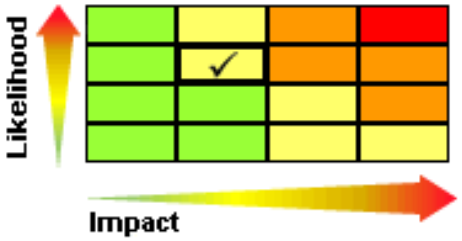

Chief Forecasters Assessment
Warm air crossing the Atlantic will encounter very cold arctic air which will cause a low pressure system to develop later on Wednesday. As this system moves eastwards into Scandinavia this is likely to bring very strong westerly winds to northern and central parts of the UK. As the system moves away east the winds will veer northerly and will bring much colder arctic air southwards across northern areas before easing into Friday.

The Met Office have issued a **Yellow Alert** of **Wind**

Valid from **00:05 on Thu, 05th Dec 2013** until **18:00 on Thu, 05th Dec 2013**

Westerly gales are expected to spread southwards across northern and some central parts of the UK on Thursday, with gusts of 60 to 70 mph possible. The winds will veer northerly or northwesterly and ease a little later in the day, with the stronger winds becoming confined to the far northeast of the UK by early Friday.

The public should be aware of possible disruption to travel, particularly through the central belt of Scotland and over higher routes of northern England on Thursday. Large waves, high tides and surge may also cause some coastal flooding along the East Coast of England.

For more details please go to:
http://www.metoffice.gov.uk/public/weather/warnings

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